

TESH: TELEHEALTH EDUCATION FOR SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, March 7, 2012 3:30 – 5:00 pm CST

TITLE: Community Response to Large-scale Emergencies and
Disasters: Considerations for Registered Nurses

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PURPOSE STATEMENT FOR THIS PRESENTATION:

Our speakers today use resources, case studies, and expertise to explore the role of the registered nurse when disaster strikes in the local community.

OBJECTIVES/AGENDA:

3:30 – 3:40 pm	Welcome and introductions
3:40 – 3:55 pm	Identify key precautions and education points on disaster readiness for personnel in large facilities with children.
3:55 – 4:10 pm	Identify the community-level and state-level responses that may be triggered by a disaster or large-scale emergency (local-level incident command, NEMA, Red Cross, Medical Reserve Corps, CERT).
4:10 – 4:40 pm	Discuss case study examples of how community facilities such as schools are utilized in disaster or large-scale emergency response.
4:40 – 4:55 pm	Identify strategies and resources for individual and family preparedness, with emphasis on preparedness of the responder-nurse.
4:55 – 5:00 pm	Evaluation and closing.

TESH is a project of the School and Child Health Program in the Division of Public Health in the NE Department of Health and Human Services (www.dhhs.ne.gov/schoolhealth) in partnership with the Nebraska Statewide Telehealth Network (www.netelehealth.net). **Goals of TESH are to:**

1. Offer high-quality, highly relevant continuing nursing education in child and school health topics using telecommunications technology;
2. Contribute to the development of collaborative relationships between local schools and local public health and medical providers; and
3. Identify and develop effective applications of telecommunications technology in school and community health settings to benefit children and families.

For more information about TESH or to register for a session, contact Kathy Karsting at kathy.karsting@nebraska.gov. Access participating program sites at www.netelehealth.net. Find TESH locations and program materials at http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/schoolhealth_tesh.aspx Our programs are available in recorded format for a limited time at www.answers4families.org/schoolhealth.

In addition to the live event on March 7, 2012, contact hours will be awarded for independent study of the program recording until Feb. 14, 2014.

This event has been approved by the Georgia Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's COA, for 1.25 contact hours. Please call Kathy Karsting RN, at DHHS Division of Public Health School and Child Health Program for more information.